

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Ron Ehli, on January 22, 2015 at 8:00 AM, in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Ron Ehli, Chair (R)
Sen. Roger Webb, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Scot Conrady, Legislative Branch
Cynthia Hollimon, Legislative Branch
Noah Horan, Committee Secretary
Lois Steinbeck, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary: Hearing Public Testimony - Developmental Services Division:
Children's Mental Health Services; Developmental Disability Services

00:01:39 Aart Dolman, Advocate, Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY - CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

00:05:14 Alicia Smith

[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a02\)](#)

00:07:49 Clementine Lindley, Executive Director, NAMI Billings

00:12:42 Sheila Smith, Western Montana Community Mental Health Center

00:19:09 Geoffrey Birnbaum, Youth Homes

[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a03\)](#)

00:21:51 Dan Aune, Self

00:25:10 Donna Kelsch, NAMI Gallatin County

00:29:51 Natalie McGillen, Director, Butte Western Montana Mental Health Center

00:33:18 Lynn Ankelman, Self

00:38:08 Jim Parker, Director, Children's Services, Missoula Western Montana Mental Health Center

00:47:09 Eden Atwood, Self

00:53:11 Ben Atwood-Anderson, Self

00:54:13 Abby Harnett, Western Montana Mental Health Center

00:58:53 Patrick Paradis, Transitional Living Service Provider

01:01:42 Sherry Spence, Self

01:02:09 Robbie Spence, Self

01:04:25 Kristen Bauwens, Self

01:05:57 Amber Bettinger, Self

01:08:10 Alexis Ricks, Self

01:09:27 Ron Waterman, Self

01:14:21 Larry Flanagan, Missoula Board of Youth Homes

01:17:31 Matt Kuntz, Executive Director, NAMI Montana

01:19:56 Jennifer Preble, Center for Mental Health

01:23:28 Sidney Blair, CEO, Center for Mental Health

01:24:43 Jim Fitzgerald, CEO, Intermountain

01:30:25 Barbara Burton, Executive Director, Florence Crittenton

01:34:30 Mary Davis, Florence Crittenton

01:37:54 Laura Cowee, Intermountain

[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a04\)](#)

01:38:48 Erin McGowan, Executive Director, Montana Children's Initiative

01:39:10 Jani McCall, Legacy Provider Group

01:44:16 Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana

01:46:13 Chair Ehli

01:47:01 Recess

01:57:19 Reconvened

PUBLIC TESTIMONY - DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY SERVICES

01:58:37 Lora Michalski, Self
02:00:28 Denise Hunter, testifying on behalf of Dalton Hunter
02:04:38 Chair Ehli
02:04:55 Heather Stenson, Self
02:08:13 Courtney Wahlberg, Self
02:10:05 Rob Talon, Reach Incorporated
02:12:13 Shaun Heinert, Self
02:16:03 Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R), HD75
02:18:09 Scarlett Sherman, Self
02:21:46 Marcy Wiest, Self
02:24:36 Chair Ehli
02:24:42 Charlene Ascione, testifying on behalf of William Penrod
02:28:11 Tracy Street, Self
02:32:31 Buzz Rodgers, Self
02:33:45 Danni Altenburg, Easter Seals Goodwill
02:36:54 Abby Harris, Self
02:40:22 Anne Garfinkle, Self
02:42:52 Ken Brown, Opportunity Resources
02:47:04 Zach Asay, Self
02:47:52 Jeremy Harris, Self
02:51:28 Amy Keele, Self
02:53:39 Joyce Moore, Self
02:56:23 Trinette Pepos, Self
03:01:16 Kat Patterson, Self
03:04:40 Chair Ehli
03:04:58 Shelley Dowdle, Self
03:06:59 Stuart Brown, Self
03:08:00 Annette Baird, Self
03:11:54 David Eaton, Counterpoint Incorporated
03:15:01 Shaun Morgan, Self
03:16:24 Jessica Kent, Self
03:17:36 Chair Ehli
03:17:48 Sarah Ison, Mission Mountain Enterprises
03:19:41 Sheila Thompson, Opportunity Resources
03:22:31 Phil Schroeder, Self
03:26:01 Mike Mahoney, Family Outreach
03:28:20 Priscilla Halcro, Quality Life Concepts
03:31:46 Laurie Merrill, Self
03:34:18 Diane Reidelbach, Job Connection
03:36:48 Andrea Fox, Helena Industries Board of Directors
03:39:31 Amy Euthman, Self
03:42:44 Kelsen Young, Self
03:44:39 Jim Eucker, Self
03:45:48 Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana
03:48:07 Terri Minow, MEA-MFT
03:50:17 Bob Mullen, Jefferson County Commissioner
03:51:16 Jani McCall, Legacy Providers
03:51:57 Pat Clark, Self

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03:54:40 Tim Furey, Self

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 03:59:48

Noah Horan, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jhh14aad.pdf](#))